

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
JAMES DAVID CLARK) : Examiner: A.P. Bhatnagar
Application No.: 10/761,280) : TC/Art Unit: 2624
Filed: January 22, 2004) : Confirmation No.: 3176
For: COMPRESSION INTO A FIXED)
SIZE BUFFER) : February 8, 2010

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION-OF-SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

An Office Action was mailed on January 20, 2010, imposing an election-of-species requirement, which requires the election of one of the following two species for prosecution in the present application:

Species 1: corresponding to claims 1, 2, 5-9, 12, 15, and 18;

Species 1: corresponding to claims 10, 13, and 16; and

Species 1: corresponding to claims 11, 14, and 17.

In response to the election-of-species requirement, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Species I, corresponding to claims 1, 2, 5-9, 12, 15, and 18 in the present application.

An early and favorable examination of the elected claims on their merits is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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